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Refugees File Claims Upon Nightmare Ship

Louis W. Arnold jr., special commissioner in admiralty in Brooklyn, reported that 383 claims totaling $3,477,629 have been filed against the 5,473-ton Spanish freighter Navemar by passengers who arrived on the grimy, fever-ridden ship Sept. 12 after a forty-eight day voyage from Seville, Spain.

The Navemar, which had a long history of difficulties in New York Harbor dating back to the Spanish civil war, was sunk by an unknown submarine several days ago 150 miles off Cape St. Vincent, Portugal. The sinking was verified in New York when it was learned that forty crew members were safely picked up in lifeboats.

The claims against the ship are specifically directed at the Compania Espanola de Navigacion Maritima, of Barcelona, owners of the vessel. When the ship arrived it carried 788 passengers, mostly Jewish refugees, packed sardine-like into quarters originally intended for twenty-eight persons at most. Another 345 passengers were disembarked at Havana.

Seven death claims were included in the total figure, aggregating $110,294 and brought by estates of the deceased, six of whom died on the trip and the seventh after arrival. The highest claim was for $50,446, brought by Benzion Blech, and there were thirteen of more than $25,000 each.

The claims varied widely, since the passengers paid for accommodations in greatly different amounts, ranging as high as $1,700. The claims were divided by Mr. Arnold into three separate classifications, those arising out of passage and baggage expenditures; damages sought for personal injuries, physical and mental, and property-damage claims, including suits for personal effects, loss of baggage, [illegible] and extra payments caused by a delay in the ship's departure from Seville.

Mr. Arnold's report only constitutes a setting forth of the claims. For passengers to be able to press the claims, the vessel must first be

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Urges Refugee Training In South America

The fact that refugees outnumber local Jewish populations in many Latin-American communities creates a special problem for which special efforts are needed, according to Dr. David Lvovitch, vice-president of The World ORT Union, in an article in the latest issue of The ORT Economic Review.

Declaring that the integration of refugees into American life is easier because they are so few in comparison to the total population, Dr. Lvovitch says that the solution of the Latin-American problem is more than an immediate necessity. What is done now, he says, "is of the greatest importance not only for the refugees of today but also for the millions of post-war immigrants."

On this point, Dr. Lvovitch asserts: "This is not just a problem of the Latin-American states, it is a problem that concerns the entire Western Hemisphere, and even the entire world. Maladjustment of the refugee group would not only affect one particular country, it would tend at least to influence the immigration policy of the whole continent. A successful adjustment of today's refugees will certainly open the doors of the countries which will need skilled workers and farmers after the war. ORT, Organization for Rehabilitation through Training, in creating new training facilities in the Latin American countries is helping to solve the problem."

Dr. Lvovitch gives the following table on refugees and local Jewish populations in the most important immigrant-receiving countries of South America:

Country	Refugees	Local Jewish Pop.
Argentine	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bolivia	8,000	2,000
Brazil	17,355	60,000
Chile	13,000	13,000
Colombia	2,800	4,000
Ecuador	3,000	500
Paraguay	500	1,700
Peru	500	1,500
Uruguay	7,000	25,000

Free Synagogue Stops Building To Save War Materials

PART OF FUND GOES TO BUY DEFENSE BONDS

Construction of a synagogue building at 28 to 36 West Sixty-eighth Street, New York, for the congregation of the Free Synagogue, which now worships in Carnegie Hall, has been suspended for the duration of the war, it was announced following action of the congregation's executive council. The new edifice was to adjoin the present Free Synagogue House at 40 West Sixty-eighth Street.

Construction of the foundations to sidewalk level is complete. Although funds for proceeding with construction have been raised, and the architectural plans for the superstructure have been completed and approved by municipal authorities, the officers of the Free Synagogue, of which Dr. Stephen S. Wise is rabbi, decided that work should be halted to preserve materials required in the war program.

According to contractor's bids for the superstructure, the cost of completing the edifice would have totaled $400,000. The Free Synagogue is returning $60,000 lent by members of the congregation for the project. The officers have urged that this money be used to buy defense bonds.

Donates Silk Stock For U.S. Parachutes

In an effort to "translate patriotic enthusiasm into practical action," Boris Margolin of New [illegible] Company in that city, in a letter to President Roosevelt, donated as a gift to the United States Government their entire stock of Japanese raw silk sufficient to make 10,000 yards of parachute cloth. In addition, the firm offered without charge to weave and process the silk into parachute fabric.

The offer was accepted in behalf of the President by Douglas C. MacKeachie, Director of Purchases of the OPM, who expressed the appreciation of the United States Government of the "loyalty and patriotism manifested by your offer." In making this contribution to United States defense, Mr. Margolin, who has been for many years a member of the Finance Committee of the Zionist Organization of America, wrote to President Roosevelt that this "entire offer is a free will gift to our defense program. Our only compensation will be the hope that this silk will be returned to Japan by our victorious parachute troops. You have stated," continued Mr. Margolin, "that no sacrifice is too great in the achievement of our ultimate goal—our complete victory. This can be realized if all our fellow Americans, in all fields of production, will contribute whatever they can towards this effort."

Jewish Children Give $8,000 Worth Of Vitamins To Chinese

Two Chinese children dressed in native costumes accepted for children in China a token package of 100 Vitamin A and D capsules during ceremonies in New York at the Chinese Consulate, 1250 Sixth Avenue. The package represented 2,800 boxes of the vitamin capsules, enough for one year for 1,000 children, which are being sent to China by American children of Jewish faith. The capsules are intended for children under five years of age.

The gift was financed by the Esco Fund Committee, a philanthropic organization which last spring sent 30,000 bottles of vitamins to Britain. The Chinese shipment of vitamins is valued at $8,000. Each box of capsules bears a label in Chinese and English saying that the capsules were "prescribed by American Jewish children to Chinese children through the Esco Fund Committee."

Joann Stern, five, of 245 West 104th Street, who attends the kindergarten of the Beth Hayaled School at Temple Anshe Chesed, West End Avenue and 100th Street, presented the package. Marilyn Chu, nine, of 47 Mott Street, and Chialien Sze, six, of 983 Park Avenue, accepted it although all the children could not be persuaded to speak during the ceremony. Chialien's brother, Chieming Sze, four, who was dressed in an elaborate red robe, refused to participate in the ceremonies, hiding throughout behind his mother, Mrs. Szeming Sze.

Dr. Tyme-chi Fu, Chinese Consul General, said that the vitamins would go "directly to Mme. Chiang [illegible] are in her special care."

Three Men Honored

Laurence A. Steinhardt, former Ambassador to Russia, who was named Ambassador to Turkey, and Sergeant Henry (Hank) Greenberg, baseball player, receive the annual "citations of honor" from the Old Timers organization of the Y.M.H.A., Lexington Avenue and Ninety-second Street, New York, at a dinner.

Both Ambassador Steinhardt and Sergeant Greenberg, former members of the Ninety-second Street "Y," have been cited for "high character and personality, ethical standards of conduct, devotion to Jewish cultural heritage, and love of democracy, exemplifying the ideals for which the Y.M.H.A. strives, and whose services to the community have reflected credit on the association."

Professor Horace M. Kallen of the New School for Social Research has been chosen chairman of the board of trustees of the Institute of Jewish Affairs, 330 West Forty-second Street, and Professor Jerome Michael of Columbia University has been named chairman of the executive committee of the Institute.

The Institute, an organization now conducting an investigation of Jewish life with a view to formulating the basis on which Jews may be presented at any future peace conference, will celebrate its first anniversary on United States soil with a dinner Feb. 16 at the Columbia Faculty Club.

Refugees Apply For Assistance

Within two weeks after the refugee ship, Guine, had docked in New York, eighty-five Jewish refugees applied for assistance to the National Refugee Service, a beneficiary of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine.

The National Refugee Service is represented together with the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal in the U.S. United Jewish Appeal for aid to refugees in the United States, overseas war relief and rehabilitation and upbuilding and defense of

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Funds Belong First For Local Needs, Says Federation Leader

AFTER THAT COMES NATIONAL, THEN INTERNATIONAL WORK

Sidney Hollander of Baltimore was re-elected president of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds at the annual business meeting of the council in Chicago.

Other officers re-elected were: William J. Schroder of Cincinnati, chairman of the board; William Rosenwald of Greenwich, Conn., Henry Wineman of Detroit, and Ira M. Younker of New York, vice presidents; and Elias Myer of Chicago, secretary. H. L. Lurie and George W. Rabinoff were continued as executive director and associate executive director, respectively.

The assembly adopted a resolution authorizing the council to undertake a comprehensive study of the budgets of a number of national organizations appealing to Jewish federations and welfare for support.

Speakers stressed that the resources of local Jewish welfare organizations must be mobilized and properly channeled to meet the requirements of America's victory program.

A session was devoted to a discussion of "wartime programs of federations," with George Z. Medalie, president of the federation for the support of Jewish philanthropic societies, New York, presiding. A special report by Maurice B. Hexter, assistant vice president of the New York Federation, stated that "our war plans as Jewish social agencies must be drawn with an eye toward meeting not only the demands of the moment but the exigencies of the future as well."

The report suggested a "scheme of priorities" by which funds raised by American Jewish groups will be devoted, in order, to local Jewish community needs, then a minimum necessary program of national Jewish work and then to the international scene.

America's all-out war against aggression will require the full resources of established welfare services which now constitute a first line of defense, Sidney Hollander, of Baltimore, declared in his presidential address. Since Japan's attack on the United States, maintenance of these social services has become the patriotic necessity and duty of every American, Mr. Hollander told the 400 lay and professional leaders of 219 federations, welfare funds and community councils in 183 cities throughout the country.

Calling for united action in 1942, Mr. Hollander said:

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Mrs. Charles Sommer, Lexington Avenue, has returned from Albany where she visited her mother, Mrs. M. Aronowitz.

Mrs. Charles Rubin, Renfrew Road, has returned from Lac Brule.

Mesdames Maxwell Cummings, Roslyn Avenue; Harney Albert, Douglas Avenue; David Taub, Grosvenor Avenue; and A. L. Mailman, Wood Avenue, occupied a cottage at St. Sauveur for a few days.

Miss Maxine Samuels, Chomedy Street, is spending a few days visiting her uncles, B. and J. Mendelsohn, Avenue Road, Toronto.

Miss Adele McKinley, Sherbrooke Street West, spent a few days in the Laurentian Mountains.

Mrs. J. Manuelson, of Nashua, New Hampshire, is visiting her mother, Mrs. A. S. Levine, Sherbrooke Street West.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Edelstone, Belmore Street West, were at Lac Brule.

Miss Sara Hoffman, Western Avenue, spent a few days in the Laurentian Mountains.

Mrs. Louis Lehman, Mount Stephen Avenue, is spending a few weeks at Saratoga Springs and New York.

Mrs. I. Lober and son, Paul David, of Brooklyn, N.Y., are with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Levikoff, 5230 Sherbrooke Street West.

Mrs. Lawrence L. Spetber, Victoria Avenue, has returned from Hamilton, Ontario, where she visited her mother, Mrs. M. Epstein.

Mrs. David H. Ballon, Crescent Street, is spending a holiday at Lac Brule.

Mrs. R. A. Jacobs, of Ste. Agathe, is in the city to meet her cousin, Miss Estelle Monterd, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and they are with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jacobs, Sherbrooke Street West.

Mrs. Jackson Marx, of New York, formerly of Montreal, is stopping at the Mount Royal Hotel.

Mrs. Ronald Bigge, of London, England, who is with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Rubin, Renfrew Road, for the duration, spent the week at Mont Tremblant, Quebec.

Mrs. Stephen Tunbura has returned to New York, after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Berrovitch, Cote des Neiges Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Alexander, Victoria Avenue, have returned from Lac Brule.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Liebman, Kensington Avenue, spent a few days at Four Seasons' Lodge Ste. Agathe.

Mrs. A. L. Mailman, Wood Avenue, entertained at tea in honor of Mrs. Jackson Marx, of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Stampleman and family, Grey Avenue, have returned from Lac Brule.

Mrs. M. Leon, Cote St. Luc Road, has left for Florida.

Charles Morantz, Cote St. Luc Road, who was a patient at the Ross Pavilion, is now in Ste. Agathe, where he is recuperating.

Miss Rosalind Tanner, of Ottawa, is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. M. Garfinkle, Decarie Boulevard.

Mrs. D. D. Feldman, Melrose Avenue, has returned from New York.

Herl Dalfen, of Sydney, N.S., spent two weeks at the Mount Royal Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Dalfen, of New Glasgow, N.S., returned home after spending two weeks at the Mount Royal Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Garmovitch, of Shawinigan, Quebec, are with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Freeman, Trans-Island Avenue.

Miss Rae Chorlton, Vendome Avenue, has returned from Toronto, where she visited Mr. and Mrs. David Rutenberg.

Mrs. H. Kaplan, of Philadelphia, is visiting her mother, Mrs. E. Berzan, Grovehill Place.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Livingstone, Decarie Boulevard, spent a few days in the Laurentian Mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Nainer, Fontaine Avenue, left for a week's stay in Ste. Agathe.

H. Nemirof, 3797 Girouard Avenue, is spending ten days in Ste. Agathe.

Myron Franklin Markus, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Markus, Grey Avenue, entertained his friends at a private screening and supper party, to celebrate his bar-mitzvah.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Markus, Grey Avenue, entertained at dinner in honor of the bar-mitzvah of their son, Myron Franklin. Out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Granatstein, Mr. and Mrs. Max Herman, Mrs. H. Fox, of Toronto, and Mrs. L. J. Nussbaum, of Rochester, N.Y.

Mrs. Louis Schneider, of Jersey City, N.J., has returned home, after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bazal, Bloomfield Avenue.

Miss Lillian Schwirberg, Lavigueur Avenue, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Morton Lewis, in Boston, Mass.

Guggenheim Left Net Estate Of Over 13 Millions

A transfer tax appraisal filed at Mineola, L.I., showed that Daniel Guggenheim, capitalist and mining developer, left a gross estate of $20,684,282.85 at the time of his death at Sands Point, L.I., on Sept. 28, 1930. Deductions totaled $7,008,150.21, leaving a net estate of $13,677,132.72.

The State inheritance tax amounted to $1,695,591.40. Real estate owned by Mr. Guggenheim was valued at $300,000, stock and bonds $13,445,843.21, mortgages, notes, cash and insurance $963,074.64, and other miscellaneous property $3,737,118.40. Transfers totaled $2,280,155.82.

Funeral and administration expenses were $638,630.58, debts $4,587,528.43 and charitable and similar gifts $1,300,000.

Under his will of April 18, 1928, Mr. Guggenheim gave his residuary estate, realty, personal effects and $200,000 to his wife, Mrs. Florence Guggenheim. Other bequests were to the Daniel and Florence Guggenheim Foundation, Inc., Manhattan, a charitable organization, $1,500,000; to a son, Harry F. Guggenheim, Port Washington, L. I., and a daughter, Gladys G. Straus of Purchase, N.Y., $2,000,000 each. His son, M. Robert Guggenheim of Babylon, L. I., received $2,000,000 in trust.

Bequests of $250,000 each were made in trust for a sister, Rose G. Quiche of the Savoy Plaza Hotel; a sister, Cora G. Rothschild of 15 East Seventy-second Street, and a niece, Nettie G. Kee of 25 East Forty-seventh Street, all of New York. Trust funds of $50,000 each were created for Solomon S. Grant of New Rochelle and Claudia S. Frankel of 2 East Eighty-sixth Street, Manhattan, sisters-in-law of Mr. Guggenheim.

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Fifty thousand copies were printed for the first edition. A copy of the prayer book is provided to each Jewish serviceman in the nation's armed forces by the Board, as part of its Army and Navy service program. Since the establishment of Selective Service more than 70,000 copies of the old prayer book were distributed, until the supply was exhausted. The new prayer book has been expanded to 142 pages of text as against 85 pages in the old book.

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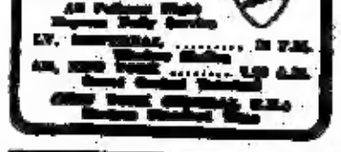
When Walter Winchell wrote in his column on February 2nd: "The Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal, honoured FDR with a huge cake for its many guests and participated in the March of Dimes campaign" he summed up a happening in the trend of Canadian-American relationships.

In a recent address, Vernon G. Cardy, vice-president and general manager of the Mount Royal Hotel, said: "Never have we been in closer harmony with the United States than to-day. Their friends are our friends, their enemies are our enemies. Often in the hotel rotunda you will see as many American soldiers as Canadians, while our boys are training, travelling and often in the United States." It was in this setting that the recognition of the 60th Birthday of President Roosevelt was celebrated. Details were placed in the hands of Catering Manager Pierre Bozbay.

All menus carried an inscription congratulating the President on his birthday. These were circulated in all six restaurants in the hotel. Special musical arrangements were featured by Al Gilbert and his Mount Royal Hotel Concert orchestra while Joe Dulos and his Royal Montrealers in the Coffee Shoppe were shipped to play several encores of their medley of "There Will Always Be An England" and "God Bless America".

On the Normandie Roof the chief celebration took place. U.S. Consul Touchette and his party from the Consulate were guests of honour. At the end of the first show, in the Normandie Roof, suitably decorated with a fine picture of the President in a setting of Canadian and American flags, Dan Turner presented a patriotic musical programme. Then the Consul, assisted by Pierre Bozbay, cut the huge cake with its sixty candles. The New Yorkers then sang a group of eight numbers. Applause stopped the show several times.



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Social Notes—Montreal

Mrs. F. Seidmann, Bernard Avenue West, has left to spend a month in New York City and Lakewood, N.J.

Miss Lily Kalman, 117 Mount Royal Avenue West, has returned from an extended trip to the States where she visited relatives and friends.

Mrs. Samuel Migicovsky and daughter, Velma, Van Horne Avenue, is spending three weeks in Toronto, visiting her mother, Mrs. K. Davis, while there for the marriage of her sister, Miss Rose Davis, to Saul Mintz.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Ingham, of Tupper Lake, N.Y. visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Abramman, Mount Royal Avenue East, for a week.

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Mrs. Samuel DeVeen, Bloomfield Avenue, visited her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. Tunis, in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Saul Reisler, St. Urbain Street, entertained Mr. and Mrs. W. Victor, Mr. and Mrs. L. Kravitz, Mr. and Mrs. M. Spector, and Moe Propas. Mrs. Victor poured.

Mrs. Irving Phillips, Bernard Avenue West, entertained at mah jong: Mesdames M. Lazare, B. A. Mallon, I. B. Sederoff, F. Cape, H. Ralph, L. B. Abramowitz, J. Kurtz, L. Cohen and William Burke.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Ross, Esplanade Avenue, entertained at a dinner for twenty guests to honor Miss Edith Rosen and Irving Browman. The honorees were presented with a set of cutlery.

Mrs. L. Shufman, Mount Royal Avenue East, was hostess at a tea presentation at the Windsor Hotel, honoring her sister, Miss Evelyn Mandelcorn, whose marriage to Peter Goodman takes place early in March. The bride-elect was presented with a chest of silver.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Weinstein, of Sherbrooke, Quebec, visited Mr. and Mrs. I. Shrier, Clarke Street, for a few days.

Mrs. I. Shaffran, Dollard Avenue, entertained at a luncheon at Eaton's in honor of Mrs. S. Rosen's fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Hittner, Jeanne Mance Street, entertained forty guests at dinner in honor of the engagement of their daughter, Honnie, to Berl Dalfen, of Sydney, N.S. S. Dalfen acted as toast master and Mr. and Mrs. Max Dalfen, of New Glasgow, N.S., were among the guests.

Mesdames Irving Weiss and Phillip Smith gave a tea in honor of Miss Isabel Herschovitch, fiancee of Harry Schwartz. The bride-to-be was presented with a set of cutlery. Those present were Mesdames H. Naimer, I. Filler, M. Cutler, L. Kravitz I. Letichevsky, M. Tolensky, M. Fishman, L. Goffman, P. Joskin, and H. Caplan.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Simmerman, Wilder Avenue, entertained at a family dinner in honor of the fiftieth wedding anniversary of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rosen, who were married in Toronto on January 31st, 1892. The table was centred with gold colored flowers and gold candles. The wedding cake was topped with the original wedding invitation dated 1892. Mr. and Mrs. H. Rosen, Mr. and Mrs. A. Rosen, Lieutenant Lawrence Shapiro, all of Toronto, B. Rosen, of Cleveland, and F. Simmerman, of Chicago, were present.

At Four Seasons' Lodge, Ste. Agathe, were: Mr. and Mrs. I. Moscovitch, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rother, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Jacobson, Misses Edith and Janet Jacobson, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Liebman, Mr. and Mrs. J. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. J. Perlman, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Shapiro, Mr. and Mrs. P. Ressler, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Pascal, Mr. and Mrs. William Levy, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hausner, Mr. and Mrs. George Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shapiro, Mrs. Louis Lowenstein, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Friedman, of Timmins, Ontario, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Freiman, of Ottawa. Mrs. N. Nobleman, Miss Bette Nobleman, Miss Estelle Montwid, of Milwaukee, Wis., Hy. Marcus, of St. John, N.B., and Aubie Rittenberg.

• MONTREAL MEETINGS •

• **DELTA PHI EPSILON SORORITY**, Epsilon Chapter, McGill University, held an undergrad-graduate meeting at the home of Mrs. Jack Klein, Murray Hill Avenue. Professor J. Culliton, of the department of economics, was the guest speaker, conducting a discussion on topics of recent interest. Mrs. S. Levites thanked him. At its initiation dinner-dance held at the Montefiore Club, Epsilon barred corsages and sold flowers instead for money to be given to the Red Cross. Miss Ethel Nadler is the leader.

News for this column is accepted with the understanding that it is not to appear in daily newspapers before Friday of the same week. Items that do appear in daily papers before the Review goes to press will be omitted.

• **HEBREW CONSUMPTIVE AID SOCIETY** N.D.G. Auxiliary meets Wednesday afternoon, February 14, at the home of Mrs. M. Heller, 5615 Sherbrooke Street West, at 2.30 p.m., for a Valentine mah jong and bridge. All members are invited to attend.

• **RED CROSS** Jewish Branch wants volunteers for machine sewing, at the workrooms, 1221 St. Catherine Street West, any morning, Monday through Thursday.

• **BETH DAVID SISTERHOOD** dinner and social on Wednesday, February 11th, at 7 p.m., at the Synagogue, 422 St. Joseph Boulevard West, is in aid of an ambulance for Red Cross. Tickets from Mrs. M. Segal, Cr. 5768.

• **HEBREW CULTURAL MOVEMENT** was launched at the home of Eli Shuchat who was in the chair. B. Aaron, Rabbi Julius Berger, S. S. Gordon, M. I. Mendelssohn, Joe Cohen, J. Weingarten, I. Namerow, M. Surchin, S. L. Park took part. It was decided to establish a Hebrew Cultural Fund in Canada to promote Hebrew cultural work among the youth and adults in Montreal through the Vaad Hamenuchal Letharbuth Ivrith in Montreal and to subsidize the cultural institutions in Palestine, the Hestadruth Ivrith of America, including the weekly Hadoar, and the Bitzaron monthly magazine. Jerschmeal Weingarten was elected executive director. A meeting in Shaare Zion Synagogue had as hosts Eli Shuchat and Barney Aaron.

• **TALMUD TORAH-HASONIM FORUM** presents Louis Fitch, K.C., as guest speaker at the Hebrew Educational Institute, on Friday, February 6th, at 8:30 p.m. Subject: "The Jew Looks At The World". K. Kronick will conduct singing. A. H. Rabin will preside.

• **DINAH LILY CAPLAN SOCIAL SERVICE GROUP** was entertained by Miss Bella Epstein, president. Annual bridge and food sale, on Wednesday evening, February 25th, in the Chevra Kadisha Synagogue, will give proceeds towards providing Passover baskets for the poor. Any young woman over 18 desiring to join, communicate with the membership chairman, Mrs. Sarah Goldberg, Dollard 5919.

• **RUSSIAN MEDICAL AID APPEAL:** At the engagement party of Miss Claire Bidner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Bidner, 71 Marie Anne West, to Irving, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Halperin, 3827 Girouard Avenue, held at the home of the bride's parents, an appeal by Elie Halperin, uncle of the bridegroom, realized $55.

• **LADIES INDEPENDENT SOCIETY** installation dinner and bridge at the Belvin had Mrs. H. Arnold, as master of ceremonies, who installed: Miss Pauline Cassmere, president; and Mesdames L. Chousky, S. Freeman, S. Devoretsky, M. Levine, S. Friedman, J. Rosen, E. Chousky, R. Feinberg, B. Renard, S. Epstein, S. Devoretsky. Presentations were made to retiring officers: Mesdames R. Chousky, H. Arnold, S. Devoretsky, M. Weinberg, I. Silver, J. Shapiro, M. Marks. Miss Cassmere received a corsage of roses. Mrs. S. Devoretsky thanked Mrs. H. Arnold. Bridge prizes were won by Mesdames S. Freeman, R. Chousky, H. Firsten, S. Friedman, J. Rosen, H. Arnold, Miss Cassmere.

• **HEBREW WOMEN'S SOCIAL SERVICE AND CONVALESCENT HOME** had Mrs. H. Freedman presiding. Mrs. A. May, wool convenor, reported. Mrs. J. Werior, of Winnipeg, was guest and donated toward the work. Mrs. H. Weiner donated an article, which was won by Mrs. S. Temex who donated it back to be raffled at the next meeting.

Emma Shever, American soprano, will sing at the annual concert of the Montreal Pioneer Women's Organization in Windsor Hall on Sunday, February 15th, at 8.45 p.m.
—Maurice Seymour

• **RUMANIAN HEBREW CONGREGATION:** Adath Israel services on Friday, February 6th, at 50 Centre Avenue, will have Rabbi M. Kelman conducting. Hostesses: Mesdames J. Gilbert, S. Snitzer, M. Goldstein.

• **PIONEER WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION:** Goldie Myerson Group will be addressed at the home of Mrs. A. Singer, 755 Dawar Avenue, on Monday evening, February 9th, by Dr. H. D. Chelfetz on "Doctors In Zionism." Visitors welcome. Emma Shever, American soprano, will sing at the annual concert, Sunday, February 15th, at 8.45 p.m., at Windsor Hall, specializing in modern Hebrew melodies, and giving Yiddish songs. Proceeds for War Efforts Fund.

• **CANADIAN YOUNG JUDAEA** annual campaign will again be devoted to War Research Fund for Palestine, objective $5,000, of which about $2,600 was raised last year. The fund will be used to aid the Daniel Sieff Research Institute at Reohovoth, of which Dr. Chaim Weizmann is director. Honorary chairman is H. Batshaw, K.C.; National campaign chairman, S. J. Leibowitz, advisor, Montreal Young Judaea; regional chairmen, J. R. Devor, of Kingston, and Oscar Wilder, of Winnipeg. Patrons: Abe, Allan, Harry, Samuel Bronfman, of Montreal; A. J. Freiman, Ottawa; Mrs. A. Ragansky, Sr., Miss Ethel Schwitberg, S. E. Schwitzberg, L. D. Crestohl, Montreal.

• **CONGREGATION SHAAR HASHOMAYIM,** Dr. H. Abramowitz, Rabbi: Women's Auxiliary Society will hear a paper on the life and work of Abraham Lincoln, by Mrs. Lynn P. Strean, at 2.45 p.m. on Wednesday, February 11th, in celebration of the anniversary of his birth. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Markus were hosts to the Bar-Mitzvah Fellowship in honour of the bar-mitzvah of their son, Myron Franklin, who led in the Kiddush. A toast was offered to the bar mitzvah and his parents by William Levy, president of the Junior Congregation. At Junior services Cyril Berlin, Bernard Cooper, William Levy, Teddy Livingstone, David Robinson, Alvyn Shiller, Morton Shuhman, Herbert Strean, Betty Campell, Joel Rubinovich took part. Annual sleigh drive takes place on Sunday, February 8th, at 2:30 p.m. Chanukah Ozer Beshvai programs were presented by Zipporah Balshaw, Donald Faerman, Trixie Hudaly, Sheila Kraminer, Joan Beecher, Marlene Bernstein, Diane Feldman, Janet Fram, Sheila Kirsch, Joan Notkin, Lois Pearson, Elissa Richstone, Connie Rosenbek, Sheila Schwartz, Barbara Scott, Jennifer Sheldon, Jaqueline Silberberg, Ruth Silverman. The executive of the Parent-Teachers' Association were hosts to the Religious School faculty at a supper meeting. Committee: Mesdames Herbert Vineberg, M. Bernfeld, M. N. Fineberg, Norman Rosenstone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rosenstone, will be called to the Reading of the Torah in celebration of his bar-mitzvah on Saturday.

• **WOMEN'S SOCIAL SERVICE ORGANIZATION:** Eighth annual donor luncheon takes place on Tuesday, February 17th, at 12.45 at the Normandie Roof, Mount Royal Hotel. Mrs. Sarah Seigler, president, presiding. Miss Dorothy Rose will be guest speaker and Sylvia Freedman Rosen will sing. Convenors are Mrs. S. S. Koenig and Mrs. C. J. Schaffer.

• **HADASSAH:** Chapter meeting Sunday, February 8th, at 7 p.m.: Ella Cohen Chapter, dinner, bridge and mah jong at Headquarters, guest speaker M. Ginsberg. Chapters meeting Monday, February 9th, at 2:30 p.m.: Central at the home of Mrs. M. Balinsky, 5830 Park Avenue; Deborah, at the home of Mrs. M. A. Joseph, 2305 St. Catherine Road; Kadimah, at the home of Mrs. J. Arbess, 815 Dollard Avenue; Nair Tamid at the home of Mrs. L. Hoffman, 4651 Lacome Avenue; Queen Esther, at the home of Mrs. F. Green, 953 Rockland Avenue; Young Ladies Zionist, bridge and mah jong at the home of Mrs. H. Levine, 1583 Lajoie Avenue; Shaar Hashomayim and Guest chapters, meeting at Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue, speaker, Dr. H. Abramowitz; current events; Mrs. Ephraim M. Levy. Chapters meeting Monday, February 9th, at 8:30 p.m.: Esther Rachel Naverich, at the home of Mrs. A. Nadler, 5335 Park Avenue; Rachel Anna Leavy, at the home of Mrs. M. Gotlovitch, 604 De Pilpen Avenue. Chapter meeting Tuesday, February 10th, at 12:30: Miriam Brainin Ortenberg, luncheon at Judaean House, 5306 Park Avenue, hostesses: Mrs. S. Levine and Mrs. A. H. Rabin, friends invited. Chapter meeting Tuesday, February 10th, at 2:30 p.m.: Shoshanna at the home of Mrs. L. Charan, 381 Edward Charles Street. Chapter meeting Tuesday, February 10th, at 8:30 p.m.: Judith, at the home of Mrs. B. Herowitz, 1157 Van Horne Avenue West.

• **TEMPLE EMANU-EL:** Dr. Harry J. Stern, Rabbi, will speak Friday, February 6th, at 8:15 p.m., on "The Ten Immortal Words"; Saturday, at 11:30, sermonette. In commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the death of Mozart, the pupils of Josef Barjansky will give a recital Sunday, February 8th at 3:30 p.m. Program by: Samuel Schechter, Jack Korozinski (violinists); Robert Cahn, David Schecter (violincello); piano, Laurie Cagnon, Dvora Wiseman, Israel Liebman. Annual Christian-Jewish Fellowship dinner of the Men's Club bringing Jews and non-Jews together takes place February 18th. The first Institute of Judaism, with Professor Jacob R. Marcus, of Cincinnati, as guest lecturer, had participating: Professor R. B. Y. Scott, of the United Theological College, Dr. Stern, Rev. Dr. M. F. McCutcheon, Right Rev. Arthur Carlisle, Bishop of Montreal, Professor John Hughes, of McGill University; Professor N. H. Parker, of McMaster's University, Hamilton; Dr. Albert Peels, editor of the Congregational Quarterly, London, England; Professor Scott Mackenzie, of the Presbyterian Theological College. Those who attended were: Rev. D. L. Ritchie, Rev. Thomas Lamont, Rev. Dr. John Pitts, Rev. Allan Cook, Rev. Edward LeGrow, Rev. Ralph C. LeDrew, Rev. Michael Feher, Rev. E. J. Thompson, Vladimir Grossman, Abraham Wolk, Rev. Dr. A. Peel, Rev. K. E. Norris, Rev. W. J. Baxter, Harold C. Cross, Rev. Dr. J. A. Johnston, Rev. K. G. MacMillan, Mrs. A. W. Batchelor, Rev. J. R. Allen, Dr. and Mrs. John S. Astbury, Rev. Robert Hamilton, Rev. R. R. Nicholson, Mrs. O. B. Rexford, Rev. A. Norman MacTier, Rev. P. S. C. Powles, Rev. Charles H. Este, Rev. D. Victor Warner, Rev. W. C. R. Anderson, Felix Lewis, Miss Flora M. Steele, Rev. Robert G. Katsanoff, Rev. Harry C. Tuttle, Rev. J. Lavell Smith, Rev. Arthur J. Marshall, Rev. H. R. Burney, Mrs. M. T. Henham, Miss Janet M. Dossey, Rev. S. S. Stock, Rev. J. C. MacLeod, Rev. F. B. Stiles, Roland Bodger, Rev. A. Lloyd Smith, Rev. George L. Hurst, Rev. W. A. Ferguson, Rev. Eric R. King, Rev. Dr. W. A. Gifford, Rev. D. H. MacVicar, Rev. Angus Cameron, Rev. William [illegible] Rev. V. T. Moody, Rev. James S. Ereaux, George Hollinger, Martin Arnovitz, E. T. Garfinkle, Hyman Grover, William Gittes, Mrs. H. J. Stern, Mrs. H. Grover, F. Beck, N. Jonas, Joseph Abrahams, Rev. Dr. M. F. McCutcheon, Rev. John D. Ellis, Right Rev. Arthur Carlisle, C. N. Sommer, Mrs. H. D. Lead, Dr. John Hughes, Rev. Dr. Albert Peel, Rev. S. Wesley Boyd, Rev. Dr. E. Leslie Pidgeon, Rev. R. K. Fairbairn, Mrs. E. Sanborn. War savings stamps will be sold by a committee headed by Mesdames Mark Garfinkle and George Segal at the congregational bazaar on February 10 and 11, and a fifty dollar war savings certificate will be given free on each day to a lucky number holder. A bridge, followed by tea, on Tuesday afternoon, will be convened by Mesdames Rose Medine, P. Silverstein, George Hollinger, A. S. Jacobs, H. H. Tower, R. Fischel. Door prize for players. Gameland will provide amusement. Luncheon, with a choice of two menus, afternoon tea and turkey supper each day, snacks during the evenings. Additional workers include Mrs. Jack Benjamin and Mrs. H. Le Cash, Brotherhood members assisting: I. S. Isaacs, Arthur Simon, David G. Jassby, Martin Arnovitz, Arthur S. Jacobs, George Hollinger, Lawrence Marks, Harry Wolfe, Samuel Paperman, Harold Neumann, Joseph J. Cooper, Bernard Mortimer, Joseph Abrahams, Mortimer Silverstein, E. T. Garfinkle, Joseph D. Roston, H. H. Lewis, Jack Freedman, M. A. Sendel, Dr. A. Birman, Arthur Schalek, Ernest Pappelbaum, Harry Stern, David Marston, Maxwell E. Hochnitz, Francis Beck, Nathan Blag, M. W. Wegier, Jul. Heim, Harry E. Davis, Hyman Grover, Felix Lewis, Jerome Lewinson, H. Charles Sheffer.

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Poland's Underground Fights Under The Eyes Of The Executioner

By Arieh Tartakower

I have before me some unique documents dealing with underground activity in Nazi Poland and partly also in the region previously occupied by Russia. The documents consist of letters written from Poland in a code which can only be deciphered by experts; of reports sent by people who managed to escape from Poland; of reports of meetings with leaders of the underground movement in Poland after their arrival in Palestine or in America, etc.

Each of these documents—some of which are letters apparently dealing with innocuous family matters — is of historic significance. At present we can but vaguely sense their real value, as we read them driven primarily by mere curiosity. But there is no doubt that in the future these documents will form as important a part of historic study and of ideological training as in the past the documents pertaining to the Russian and the Polish revolutionary movements.

The principal importance of these documents does not consist in the details they recite, but in the principles underlying the whole underground work. Here we find revolt against violence and the conviction that the rule of violence can be overthrown. Until recently it appeared that the difference between former struggles against despotism and tyranny and the present, was the apparent impossibility of successful resistance under present conditions. But the progress of the war has demonstrated that such is not the case; that an underground movement does exist and is developing and that attempts to suppress it will prove as futile as the efforts of the Hapsburgs or the Czars.

We know by now the result of Hitler's policy of "pacification." All of Europe is a seething cauldron; now it is Norway, now France, now Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia, tomorrow it may be Belgium and Holland. Finally, the lid will be off, and it looks as if that is likely to happen even before the German armies are beaten on the battlefields.

But we must not forget that what has been happening in Poland dates back a year and two years when all of Europe lay crushed under the Prussian heel. Nor must we forget that the revolutionary activity in Poland consists only in proclaiming strikes, in acts of sabotage or in attempts against the lives of Hitlerite police officers.

All that, of course, is quite important, but there is also a positive, creative aspect of the work, which raises the banner of freedom and lays the foundations of a new and decent world under the very eyes of executioner. More than a dozen clandestine newspapers, countless leaflets and proclamations, lectures and discussion meetings, cells of free activity—all these represent the battering ram, which will be no less effective in destroying the Hitlerian order than the British blockade or Russian tanks and American bombers.

Every German attack in Poland is answered with a counter-attack by democracy—Polish and Jewish. When Jews are locked up in the ghetto, there still remains an underground link between Poles and Jews. The flowers which were thrown over the walls of the Ghetto by the Poles on the eve of Rosh Hashonah are the symbol of existing collaboration between the best elements of both groups. When an effort is made to isolate us from the world, Halutzim groups go to the countryside and establish new settlements to proclaim louder than ever the right of the Jews to work and to have land. When Hitler's satraps try to force upon Jews a state of illiteracy by closing down schools and banning the spread of books, illegal schools spring up in the ghettos one after another, including even secondary schools, where general education is combined with intensive Jewish education.

The Nazis seek to degrade the Jews of Poland to a pariah status and to cut off all contact between them and the whole of Jewry as well as with the rising Jewish Homeland in Palestine. But all this avails nothing and the contact continues without weakening. The Polish Jew learns from newspapers and meetings or lectures and leaflets of all that goes on in the world: he knows that the Jewish Homeland in Palestine carries on and that thousands of the best sons of his people are fighting against Hitler's armies and that they are bound to win, for their cause is great and their allies are mighty.

There are some powerful notes in this clandestine struggle against brute force. Who can fail to be moved by the report of a public meeting in the Warsaw ghetto? Hundreds of people in the hall, dozens of loyal comrades on the street corners on the lookout for the German police. One after another, speakers rise to strengthen the courage of their fellow-Jews and to call for endurance and continued struggle.

And does it not sound like an epic of individual heroism when we read of Jewish boys and girls acquiring for themselves anew their old place in the agricultural work near a large Polish city? The Germans interfere with the work, driving the Jews back into the ghetto and arresting them. But the young people continue their work, buying another cow and yet another implement, putting together another shack on their last few pennies, establishing a new Jewish agricultural spot.

The old ash tree in the vicinity of the Polish capital witnessed over a hundred years ago the heroic struggle of Polish rebels against the Czar's army. Now it is an eye-witness to new demonstrations of heroism in a novel, but no less effective form.

Or take another instance — a conference of Halutzim in Russian-occupied Poland. This "counter-revolutionary" gathering lasted for three days under the very nose of the Soviet secret police. The Blue-and-White flag is still waving, the Eretz Israel idea lives on, and no amount of violence can stifle it.

Unfortunately these documents cannot at this time be disclosed in their original form. That would constitute too grave a danger for thousands of our finest people. It will serve merely to reemphasize that a movement for liberation exists in Poland which, while working underground, is carried on intensively. The day is certainly coming when it will show its results in a hundred different ways and when the song that is being written of the fight on hunger, cold and the Nazi lash will be sung by all free men upon the free soil of Poland.

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MARRIAGES

Brand-Pachter

The marriage of Mildred, daughter of Mrs. Dora Pachter and the late Charles Pachter, Grace Street, to Percy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Brand, Glen Cedar Road, took place on January 22nd, at the Men of England Synagogue. Rabbi David Monson, Rabbi M. H. Levy, and Rev. Boris Charloff officiating. The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Harry Pachter. Her gown, of white slipper satin, was made on princess lines, and embroidered around the waist and sweetheart neckline. The long sleeves came to points over her wrists, and the full skirt extended into a long train. She had pearls, the gift of the groom. Her full-length veil of tulle illusion, fell from a pearl-studded crown, and she carried a bouquet of Calla Lilies. Mrs. Harry Pachter, sister-in-law of the bride, was matron of honor, in a gown of blue silk jersey, and matching crown and veil, and carried a bouquet of Talisman roses. Miss Beatrice Zeiger was maid of honor, in a turquoise sheer gown, beaded at the waistline, and a bouquet of red roses; and the junior bridesmaid was Miss Joan Perell, in blue sheer, trimmed with pink ribbons, and a nosegay of pink roses. Renee Mandel was flower girl, in a floor-length frock of pink taffeta and matching bonnet, and she carried a basket of rose petals. Ely Birnbaum was page boy. David Kingstone acted as best man, and the ushers were: Harry Sanders, William Clarfield, Abe Wells, and Murray Weinstock. A dinner and reception followed. The bride's mother receiving in a gown of black net and embroidered bodice, and a corsage of Talisman and American Beauty roses; the groom's mother in blue crepe, with accordian-pleated skirt and beaded neckline, and corsage of Talisman roses. The couple left on a wedding trip to Western Ontario, and will live in Toronto. For going away, the bride chose a print frock, suede accessories, and silver fox coat, and corsage of gardenias. Out-of town guests were: Mrs. A. Himelstein and Mrs. A. Kert, of Detroit.

Fegelman-Greenberg

The marriage of Marion, daughter of Mr. of Mrs. William Greenberg, High Park Avenue, to Joseph, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Fegelman, Montrose Avenue, took place on February 1st, at Chudleigh House, Rabbi Samuel Sacha officiating. The bride wore an afternoon frock of blue, and a corsage of roses. The couple left on a trip to Montreal, and will live in Toronto. For travelling, the bride wore a brown coat with lynx collar, and brown accessories.

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Montreal Soldier Reported Missing

Member of the McGill University football team which won the Intercollegiate title in 1938, Flt.-Sgt. Joseph (Joey) Alfred Jacobson has been reported missing as a result of air operations which took place overseas on January 28, it was learned. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Jacobson, of 625 Grosvenor Avenue, Montreal, who received the R.C.A.F. cable stating that he had been reported missing only a short time after their son cabled the information that he had been promoted from sergeant to flight-sergeant. Well known in sports circles, he started his rugby career at Westmount High School where he also starred as a hockey and basketball player. Thousands of Canadian sports fans saw him playing at outside wing on McGill rugby teams after he entered university. He was a member of the championship squad one year before he graduated. Flt.-Sgt. Jacobson was born in Montreal and is now 23 years of age. He enlisted in July, 1940, and received his training at Toronto, Rivers, Man., and Moosbank, Sask. He went overseas in May, 1941 and was attached to a bomber squadron of the R.C.A.F. He had made many flights over occupied territories. He has two sisters, Edith and Janet.

DEATHS

Maurice Davis died at the Jewish General Hospital, on Sunday, February 1st. He was the son of Miriam Davis, and the late Mark Davis, husband of Hannah (Bunny) Adler; father of Richard and Howard Davis, and brother of Mrs. Dorothy Stein. Funeral service was from the Chapel of Paperman & Son, Inc., 4061 St. Urbain Street, to Temple Emanu-El section, Mount Royal Cemetery. Mr. Davis had been associated with the Canadian film distribution locally and in Quebec for a quarter of a century. Born in London, England, in 1894, Mr. Davis came to Montreal about 25 years ago and started work with the Malone Enterprises, a pioneer organization of Canada, as a film salesman. Later he struck out on his own to form the Davis Amusements, with offices in this city and in Toronto. He was next associated with Equity Pictures, distributors of the popular Clara Kimball Young films and other presentations. From there he moved to the Regal Films as a salesman and was promoted to manager. After many years with Regal Films, Mr. Davis went into business for himself in Quebec City, and became owner of the Canadian Theatre in that city. He is credited with introducing the modern film theatre front in that city. Returning to Montreal, he joined the Empire Universal firm, after which he became supervisor for United Amusements, a position which he held at the time of his death.

Word has been received from Jerusalem of the death of David Isaac Epstein, formerly of Montreal, on December 6th, 1941, at the age of 87 years. Surviving are three sons, Hyman and H. M. Epstein, of Montreal, and Dr. H. Epstein, of Granite City, Ill.; three daughters, Mrs. Hyman Elin and Misses Shirley and Bernice Epstein; twelve grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. His wife, the late Bella Epstein, predeceased him on February 10th, 1933; also one son, Max, in May 1926; and one grandson, William Epstein, of Granite City, Ill., on November 4th, 1941, in his 18th year. Mr. Epstein, came to Canada from Russia about sixty years ago and was well known in the furniture business in which he was engaged for many years prior to his departure for Palestine about fourteen years ago.

Mrs. Rella Pierce died on February 1st in her 78th year at her home, 274 St. Joseph Boulevard West. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Henry H. Rose, Mrs. M. Sohmer and Mrs. H. S. Cantor, of New York; two sons, Maxwell, Harry of New York; nine grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. Funeral was from Paperman's to Adath Jeshurim Cemetery.

Sarah Weidy Linden died at her home, 633 Clermont Avenue, on January 21st. She was the wife of Samuel Linden, and mother of Nat and Ella Linden, of Montreal, Mrs. Anna Bier, of Verdun, Arthur Linden and Mrs. Betty Gorner, of New York. Also surviving are seven grandchildren and a brother, Charles Weidy, of Mineola, L.I. Mrs. Linden was born in Riga, Latvia, and came to Canada forty years ago.

BIRTHS

Born, at the Jewish General Hospital on January 29th, to Mr. and Mrs. Allen T. Cohen (nee Dena Goldman), a son.

Born, at the Jewish General Hospital, on January 28th, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kotler (nee Ann Brenner), a daughter.

Born, on January 16th, at the Jewish General Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Lecker (nee Rose Grossman) Lajoie Avenue, a daughter, sister of Joyce and Stephen.

Born, at the Jewish General Hospital, on January 30th, to Mr. and Mrs. Irving Nadler (nee Katie Lebovitz), a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. M. Aisenthal (nee Lily Anderson), on January 27th, at the Jewish General Hospital, a daughter.

Born, on January 31st, at the Jewish General Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Schecter (nee Molly Schwartz), a daughter.

Born, at the Jewish General Hospital, on February 3rd, to Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Dennenberg, a daughter.

Born, at the Jewish General Hospital on February 2nd, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kosowetsky (nee Tillie Clarke), a daughter.

Compiler Of History Of South African Zionism Asks Help From Canada

The South African Zionist Federation is undertaking the compilation of a history of South African Zionism. A committee for the purpose has been formed, and the necessary research work has already been commenced.

The committee is eager to obtain as much information and assistance as possible from those who were closely associated with the beginnings of the movement in South Africa, particularly as many of the early written records have been lost. There must be a number of such persons at present living in Canada, and I should be grateful, therefore, if you would permit me, through your columns, to request them to communicate with me if they have any information, etc., which may help to throw light on early Zionist history in this country, or personal recollections which would be of value to us. Needless to say, all letters, documents, etc., will be treated as strictly confidential and will be returned to the owners without fail, if necessary.

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary, History of South African Zionism, P.O. Box 18, Johannesburg, South Africa.

I am, etc.,
Miss M. GITLIN,
Secretary,
History of South African Zionism.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. M. Rothstein, 4543 Esplanade Avenue, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Frances, to Herman, son of M. Davis, and the late Mrs. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Goldberg, 1540 St. Antoine Street, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Ruth, to Louis, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Mendell, St. Joseph Boulevard West.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Bidner, 71 Marie Anne West, announce the engagement of their daughter, Claire, to Irving, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Halperin, 3627 Girouard Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Docks, 5256 St. Urbain Street, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Florence, to Isadore, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Teitelbaum, Marquette Street.

APPROACHING MARRIAGES

Mr. and Mrs. David Katz, Jeanne Mance Street, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Estelle, to Fred, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Vosberg, Jeanne Mance Street, the marriage to take place on March 15th.

The approaching marriage of Bombadier Irving Diamond, R.C.A. overseas, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Diamond, Maplewood Avenue, to Sadie, daughter of Sidney Marshall, M.P.S. and Mrs. Marshall, 5 Warwick Lodge, Shoot-Up-Hill, W.W.2, London, England, is announced. The marriage is taking place at the Brondesbury Synagogue, Chivening Road, London, England, on Sunday, February 8th, at 2.30 p.m.

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Social Notes — Toronto

Mr. and Mrs. Ben. Sadowski, Forest Hill Road, have returned from a trip to Chicago.

Mrs. Ira Lorie, Raglan Avenue, has returned from Hollywood, California, where she spent two months.

Mrs. I. M. Lederman, 1660 Bathurst Street, is spending a month in New York, visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Greisman.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Dalgorf, Westover Hill Road, were at home to a few friends.

Harold Hertzman, R.C.A.F., of Mont Joli, Quebec, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Hertzman, Lyndhurst Avenue.

Mrs. Samuel Jacobs, of Philadelphia, Pa., has returned home after spending several weeks with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon M. Pearcy, Avoca Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Bronstein, formerly of 92 Haddington Avenue, have taken up residence at 25 Wells Hill Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Haskell Masters, formerly of New York, are now at the Park Plaza Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Levy, Lonsdale Road, are visiting in Montreal.

Mrs. M. Mehr, Burnside Drive, has returned from Cleveland, Ohio, where she visited her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Weiss, for several weeks.

Dr. and Mrs. L. J. Solway, Madison Avenue, are visiting Dr. and Mrs. M. H. Book, Boston, Mass., for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Tanz, Heydon Park Road, spent a week in Montreal, and stopped at the Mount Royal Hotel.

Robert Winters, of Providence, R. I., has returned home after visiting his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Granatstein, Roxton Road.

Jeffrey Cage, of Buffalo, N. Y., spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth de Sola Joseph, Lauder Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan April, Glen Cedar Road, had as their guest Miss Rita Stober, of Montreal.

S. J. Zacks, Strathearn Road, spent a few days in Montreal.

Allan Frankel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Egmont Frankel, Douglas Drive, is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. A. Hartman, in Chicago.

David M. Copp, of Winnipeg, Man., spent a few days with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Simmonthal, Lauder Avenue.

Miss Beruice Frankel, Palmerston Boulevard, spent a few days in Buffalo, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sigmund Shanzer.

Mrs. A. Himelstein, of Detroit, Mich., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Brand, Glen Cedar Road.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Zander, of Buffalo, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Cowitz, Bathurst Street.

Mrs. I. Adler, Burlington Crescent, and Miss Anne Sugar, Palmerston Boulevard, are spending a month in Miami.

Mrs. S. Feldman, of Petrolia, Ont., was the guest of Mrs. S. Altshuller, Everden Road, for a few days.

Rev. Jacob Barkin, of Atlantic City, visited his mother, Mrs. Abraham Barkin, Markman Street, while here for the Yahrzeit of his father, the late Cantor Abraham Barkin.

Mrs. Ben. Granatstein and son, Jack, Vaughan Road, are spending two weeks in New York.

Misses Ruth Rosen, Roxton Road, and Rose Yutman, Grace Street, have returned from a visit to New York.

Miss Shirely Pearson, Oakington Avenue, has returned from New York, where she spent a few weeks visiting relatives.

Mrs. S. Freedman, of St. Catherines, Ont., spent a week with her father and mother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. Freedman, Palmerston Boulevard.

Mrs. Samuel Rosengarten, of Buffalo, is visiting her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. S. Slonakoff, Grace Street.

Mrs. W. Miller, Borden Street, is spending a few weeks in Montreal, visiting her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. L. Cohen.

Miss Elsie Lenchin, Christie Street, spent a few days in Detroit, visiting relatives.

Mrs. Samuel Miginovsky and daughter, Velma, of Montreal, spent three weeks with the former's mother, Mrs. K. Davis, while here for the marriage of her sister, Miss Rose Davis, to Saul Mintz.

Mrs. Ben. Marks, of Winnipeg, Man., is visiting her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. I. Zack, Palmerston Avenue.

Mrs. J. Horowitz, of Ottawa, has returned home after spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Rich, Shaw Street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Bott, of Miami, visited their son-in-law and daughter, Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Zimelman, Bellevue Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Miller, Cecil Street, gave a family dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Soles, Crang Avenue, entertained at a family dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Wortsman, Palmerston Boulevard, were hosts at a family dinner in celebration of their silver wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Sharp, 29 Ridge Hill Drive, entertained at a housewarming party. Buffet supper was served to about forty guests.

Mrs. Nathan Hurwitz, Bathurst Street, entertained to honor Miss Frances Landau, whose marriage to Harry Helfstein takes place on February 22nd.

Mrs. M. Dubiner, Bellevue Avenue, entertained her sister, Mrs. Samuel Rosengarten, of Buffalo, at dinner and the Symphony Concert.

Mrs. M. Barrach, Manning Avenue, gave a tea in honor of Mrs. Harold Wintraub, who is leaving to live in Collingwood, Ont. Mrs. David Sherr poured.

Mrs. S. Pancer and Misses Dorothy and Rose Chinsky entertained at a personal shower at the Belvin, in honor of Miss Ruth Tator, whose marriage to Carl Chinsky takes place on February 10th.

Miss Jennie Enchin, whose marriage to Joseph Budish took place on February 3rd, was honored at a cup and saucer shower for twenty-five guests, by Misses Buddy and Rose Budish.

Mesdames F. Helfand, H. Helfand, William Gelman, of Buffalo, and Jack Nelson, were hostesses at a shower at the Belvin, honoring Miss Faye Helfand, a bride-elect of March. About one hundred guests were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Granatstein, Roxton Road, were hosts at an evening for the latter's brother, Robert Winters, of Providence, R. I. Mr. and Mrs. A. Carson, S. Zarsky, and Miss Virginia Allen, of London, Ont., were there.

Mrs. I. H. Siegel held an afternoon tea at her home on Northcliffe Boulevard, to J. W. Noseworthy. Mrs. M. Goodman poured tea, and Mesdames R. Pannell, A. N. Simons, Louis Isaacs and Gordon Brown, assisted.

Mesdames Albert Myers, P. Kassel, S. Myers, Max Myers and L. Myers, were hostesses at a linen shower for one hundred and fifty guests, to honor Miss Freda Myers, whose marriage to Carl Lipman takes place on March 8th. The honoree wore a gown of blue net over taffeta and brocaded bodice, and a corsage of roses and baby's breath. Mrs. A. Sherman and Mrs. James Rose assisted.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Fine celebrated their silver wedding anniversary on Sunday, January 25th, at a mock marriage with Cantor A. Bernstein officiating. Louis Kraemer played the wedding music. Mrs. Fine was in a soldier-blue crepe gown, with corsage of roses. Later at a dinner, about eighty guests were received.

Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Zimelman, Bellevue Avenue, received at the Palmerston Avenue Synagogue, in honor of the bar-mitzvah of their son, Milton. About fifty guests were present, among them, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Bott, of Miami, grandparents of the bar-mitzvah; Rev. Bornstein, of London, Ont.; Cantor Bornstein, of Guelph, Ont.; Rabbi L. Shapiro, of Montreal; and Mr. and Mrs. M. Rossman, of Oshawa, Ont. Those who spoke were: Rev. Bornstein, of Guelph, L. Green, B. Loffman, I. Gladman, Rabbi Charles Brown, uncle of the bar-mitzvah, Charles Prousky and Morris Rotstein.

Miss Carole Levenson, Palmerston Boulevard, was honored at a surprise birthday party, those present being: Misses Evelyn Dubiner, Mildred Lepofsky, Evelyn Macks, Sylvia Stein, Pearl Podetsky, Sarah Grossman, Eileen Collins, Mildred Barrach, and Mary Himelstein; and Sydney Covant, Ben. Peleovitz, Jack Podetsky, Murray Fisher, Philip Macks, Irving Wayner, Louis Sher, Daniel Avery, Philip Stein, Bernard Collins and Murray Karn.

Mrs. S. Altshuller, Everden Road, gave a tea at the Belvin, to honor her daughter, Edith, whose marriage to Al. Sherman takes place on March 22nd. The hostess received in a beaded blue crepe dress, and corsage of roses, assisted by Mrs. S. Sherman, mother of the groom-elect, in black net, and corsage of roses. The honoree wore white net and brocaded satin, and a corsage of roses. The tea table, covered with a lace cloth, held white candles and a bowl of roses and tulips. Those who poured were: Mesdames M. Goldman, C. Goldstein, J. Suffrin, and A. Altshuller, their assistants being Mesdames H. Richman, P. Alkan, J. Zarnet, L. Jacobs, and R. Kay, and Misses Lillian Alkan, Grace Kay, Mary Duviner and Beulah Kachuk. About one hundred and fifteen guests called.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our dear husband and father, Moses Breslin, who passed away February 9th, 1930. Sadly missed and ever remembered by his wife and daughters.

BIRTHS

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Archie Sopman (nee Belle Freedman) Beatrice Street, on January 26th, at Toronto General Hospital, a daughter, Pauline Joan.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mandel, 225 Ava Road, on January 21st, at Mount Sinai Hospital, a son, Avraham Lazar.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sobel, McCaul Street, on January 20th, at Mount Sinai Hospital, a daughter.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cohen, Lippincott Street, on January 30th, at Mount Sinai Hospital, a son, Harold.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Bederman (nee Pearl Cohen) on February 1st, at Women's College Hospital, a son, Stephen Allan.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Morris Boyo (nee Laura Catanz) on January 31st, at Mount Sinai Hospital, a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Papernick (nee Marcia Hausher) Bathurst Street, on January 30th, at Toronto General Hospital, a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. H. Kash, Brunswick Avenue, on January 21st, at Toronto General Hospital, a daughter.

BAR - MITZVAHS

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Creed, Euclid Avenue, announce the bar-mitzvah of their son, Raymond, to take place at the Yeshiva Synagogue, Markham and Ulster Streets, on Saturday, February 7th, at 9:30 a.m. Reception Sunday, February 8th, at 6 p.m., at 203 College Street.

APPROACHING MARRIAGES

Mr. and Mrs. J. Berenbaum, Euclid Avenue, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Miriam, to Jack, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Filman, Clinton Street, to take place on March 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goldberg, 364 Crawford Street, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Betty Frances, to Murray, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Schwartz, 25 Millbank Avenue, to take place on February 15th.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Haimes, Claremont Avenue, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Clara, to Alex, son of Mrs. Starkman and the late J. Starkman, to take place on February 22nd.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Frankel, Palmerston Boulevard, announce the engagement of their daughter, Bernice Ruth, to James Milton Sernoffsky, son of Mrs. Sigmund Shanzer and the late Benjamin Sernoffsky, of Buffalo, N. Y.

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• **B'NAI B'RITH LODGE** vocational guidance work has the following committee: chairman, Montague Reisman; director, Jack Gringorten; others, Barnett E. Laxer, Nathan Perlmutter, Louis Rosenblatt, Dr. Herman Rivkin, Harry Pechter, Jack Sugarman, E. I. Sprackman, A. Wise, S. Dillick, Stanley Krivey, S. Verman, D. Louis Harris, Carl Keyfetz, Samuel Kurtz, Mort. Levy, Isadore Markus, Dr. Samuel Norris, Roy Shapiro, Dr. R. Sidenberg, Hart Wintrop. Lodge members, their wives and sons are welcomed at career meetings, at 8 p.m., every Tuesday at 9 Brunswick Avenue. At the first one 200 boys attended and 158 are registered for twelve conferences dealing with opportunities for Jews in law and accountancy, textile and needle industry, medicine and dentistry, merchandising and sales promotion; February 10th, engineering professions, transportation and communications, optometry dental mechanics and technicians, finance, insurance, real estate, civil service, social work, army, construction, art, music, entertainment. Lawrence Kert, Carl Keyfetz, Henry Rosenberg, Percy Shulman, K.C., Joseph Singer, K.C., Nathan Strauss, Jules Newman, Ben. Pape, A. Papoff, John Shulman, Louis Berger, Jack Brill, Max Enkin, Charles Foster, Philip Katz, Philip Lewis, E. J. Lewenbaum are active in the undertaking.

News for this column is accepted with the understanding that it is not to appear in daily newspapers before Friday of the same week. Items that do appear in daily papers before the Review goes to press will be omitted.

• **PI LAMBDA PHI FRATERNITY:** Canada Kappa Chapter twenty-third annual ceremony and banquet at the Hotel Newton saw initiated: Martin Pacior and Sydney Keith Herman, of Toronto, Norman Hirschberg, of Vancouver; Oscar Kofman, Toronto; Samuel Robert Moscovich, Lethbridge; Sydney Palken, Hamilton; Arthur Rasnick, Hertzi Rotenberg, Irving Rubin, Toronto; Harold Sobcov, Ottawa; Edward Sosnowsky, Fort William. A.C. 2 Sydney Schachter, A.C. 2 Gerald Bronfman, of Eta Chapter, Montreal, AC2 David Faber were present. Presentations were made to Leonard Mehr, newly-elected president of the Alumni Association; Lawrence Allen, and Leo Sussman, past presidents. A toast was given by Raymond Allen, past chapter supervisor, to members on active service in the Canadian forces, including Capt. Mervin Miraky, RCOC; Capt. Gerald Shragge, CDC; Lieut. David A. Croll, CAA; Capt. Kenneth Levinson, CDC; Capt. Joseph Rice, CDC; Lieut. Morris W. Selznick, RCAMC; Lieut. Max Nacht, CDC; Lieut. Sidney Yavnet, RCA; Lieut. Harold Botnick, CAC; P-O B. Rothschild, RCAF; P-O Irving Gould, RCAF; F-O Albert Glaser, RCAF. Lieut. Edwin Allen Goodman, CAC; Flt-Lt. Louis Kane, RCAF; LAC Theodore K. Draimin, RCAF; P-O Bernard Cooperman, RCAF; Lieut. Irving Arthur Fremes, RCAMC; P-O Paul Green RCAF; Cadet A. Earl Fauman, CAC; Cadet Max Nemoy, RCA; AC2 Harold Hertzman, RCAF; Lieut. Sidney Pollock, RCOC; Lieut. Jacob Heller, RCAMC; AC2 David Faber, RCAF; P-O Cecil Solin, RCAF; AC 2 Louis Ziff, RCAF; 2-Lieut. Gerald King, RCOC; P-O Carl Keyfetz, RCAF; AC Robert Cummings, RCAF; Capt. Samuel Pollock, RCAMC; Lieut. Isadore Pollock, RCN; Lieut. Morton Mendels, CAA; LAC Gerald Bronfman, RCAF; Lieut. Bernard Finestone, CAC; Lieut. Moses Claenter; CDC; AC 2 Alex English, RCAF; AC 2 Sidney Schachter, RCAF. Special reference was made to P-O Hyman Abrams, who was killed in operational duties overseas. Telegrams were read from L. Berger, of Buffalo, chapter supervisor, and Nat Sontag, executive director both of whom enlisted in the American Army Air Corps; Lieut. David A. Croll, and Lieutenants Goodman and Botnick and LAC Draimin, and from the National Executive Council under the signature of the head, Hon. Lawrence A. Steinhardt. Chapter supervisor, P-O Carl Keyfetz, welcomed new members, and the toastmaster was Daniel Stone. The National Executive Council was represented by Gurston Allen, Regional Council Member. Other toasts were given by Herbert Weiss, Leonard Mehr, Kalman Faber, Norman Hershberg, Samuel Granatstein, Dr. L. J. Harris.

• **MIRIAM HELLER SOCIETY** installation dinner and bridge installed: Mrs. A. Orenstein, president; and Mesdames E. Schwab, A. Bonza, B. Seligman, C. Price, B. Weistein, E. Goodfellow, N. Applebaum, A. Yaffe, M. Greenberg, B. Granatstein, A. Weltman, E. Stein.

• **NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH JUNIORS** are holding a membership party on February 14 at the Club Anon. Mrs. H. List, senior advisor, is offering a prize to the girl who brings in the most members. Miss Shirley Simmons is membership convenor.

• **SONS OF DAVID YOUNG MEN** will hold a draw for a war savings certificate at every meeting. The entire Society and Ladies Auxiliary are presenting their annual concert on February 15th, proceeds for war charities. Executive: Henry Schwartz, president; William Midanik, Milton Berenbaum, Joseph Isleman, Samuel Gluckstein, Saul Shulman, L. Schwartz, W. H. Jacobs, Dr. M. Rockman, Jack Kreaden, L. Goodman, L. Eckler; ex-executive, J. Jacobs, Murray Steiner.

• **JUNIOR SISTERHOOD ADATH ISRAEL** met at the home of Mrs. G. Garelick, College Street. Hostesses: Mrs. Garelick and Mrs. M. Orenstein. Next morning, February 9th, at the home of Mrs. L. Isaacs, 94 Castlewood Road.

• **SHAAREI SHOMAYIM CONGREGATION** and Sisterhood installation heard Rabbi David Monson, speak. Cantor A. Steinberg led the singing. D. Kamer installed; congregation president, J. Kofman, and D. Kamer, J. Levin, A. Goldenberg, M. Gasner, D. Cass, A. Jacobson, M. Freeman, H. Bolter, P. Clarfield, J. Shapiro; Sisterhood president, Mrs. J. Kofman, and Mesdames, F. Stein, D. Kopman, A. Jacobson, A. Schwartz, A. Tolman, M. Menkes, L. Cohen, R. Hershorn, H. Litowitz, I. Fink, A. Sherman, S. Davis, J. Shapiro, P. Clarfield, F. Freeman, M. Cohen, H. Bolter, H. Shapiro, H. Kates, F. J. Gordon, N. Kaplan, L. Hershenhorn, H. Hochman, D. Kamer, J. Organ, P. Lewis, M. Bronsky, J. Tannenbaum, P. Sandler, J. Marcus, past officer. Private L. Goldstein, of Montreal, played the harmonica.

• **DEBORAH ASSEMBLY**, No. 5, Order of the Rainbow for Girls installed: Miss Ruth Bolgon, Mrs. Harry Scolnick, Misses Henrietta Farb, Beverly Ludwig, Dorothy Lepofsky, Effie Grober, Alice Wurtzel, Frances Paskowitz, Lenora Dubrin, Rose Metter, Freda Schwartz, Polly Collins, Miriam Fox, Jewel Yudkin, Esther Starkman, Dorothy World, Ruth Gilbert, Sheila Churniak, Shirley Eisen, Phyllis Lepofsky.

• **MIZRACHI WYNETTE ORGANIZATION**, Deborah Chapter, met at the home of Mrs. M. Gold, Dundas Street West. Tickets were distributed for the tea to take place Sunday, March 1st, at the home of Mrs. B. W. Goldenberg, 59 Burnside Drive, convenor, Mrs. M. Cooperberg. Mrs. Ida Siegel lectured on "Racial Origin."

• **DEBORAH CHAPTER**, O.E.S., had Mrs. Jack Yudkin presiding. Purim tea planned to be held at the home of Mrs. Eli Herman on March 15th, has as convenors Mrs. Alex Savein and Mrs. Eli Herman. Refreshments were served by Mrs. E. Moscowitz and Mrs. I. Lester.

• Martin M. Cohn, Executive Director of the Central Division, Canadian Jewish Congress, addressed the annual meeting of the Jewish Social Services of Hamilton on "Social Services In The Present And The Future."

• **JUNIOR B'NAI B'RITH AUXILIARY** had Miss Zelda Cohen presiding. Annual pledges were made to: Youth Aliyah, Welfare Fund, Red Cross, Sick Children's Hospital, Mount Sinai Hospital, Canadian Jewish Congress (for the Star Bomb Victims Fund). Sabbath Night is Friday, February 13th, at Goel Tzedec Synagogue. Next meeting is a cigarette shower for smokes to be sent overseas. Regional congerence elected Miss Zelda Cohen, president; Miss Rose Goldstein, of Kitchener, vice-president; Miss Jennie Sachs, sentinel.

• **CLUB VARDA:** Installation was marked by a midnight supper. Miss Gertrude Grossman is president for a second term; others, Misses Ruth Krakman, Rose Malkin, Frieda Duchess, Frances Miller, Goldie Tate, Millie Pauline, Lucy Wilson; and William Glickman, Harry Sackin, Samuel Shainhouse, Murray Lampel, Percy Cohen, Jack Walton, Gordon Kruger, Morris Grossman, Earl Pottens, Sigmund Haller, Jack Miller.

• **SHAAREI SHOMAYIM CONGREGATION**, Friday, February 6th, at 8:30 p.m., will have as guest speaker M. Kraicer, executive director of the Jewish Immigrant Aid Society. Subject: "Jewish Refugees And Internees In Canada". Rabbi David Monson will conduct services, with Cantor A. Steinberg and choir. Tea hostesses: Mrs. M. Schwartz and Mrs. H. Weinert.

• **PIONEER WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION** met at the home of Mrs. S. B. Hurwich, 455 Palmerston Boulevard, Mrs. I. Karp presiding. Mrs. S. Langer, convenor, reported on the dinner's dinner in aid of Palestine War Effort. Mrs. Irma Lindheim, of Palestine, will be guest speaker. Mrs. M. Rabkin will sing Jewish folk songs.

• **V.M.H.A.** Victory Committee rally, at 9 Brunswick Avenue, on Monday, February 9th, at 8.30 p.m. presents "The Fight For Liberty", a moving picture, which will be introduced by C. F. Plewman, secretary of the Toronto Branch, Red Cross. The committee is raising $1,500.00 for a ullicon for the armed forces, and conducts a victory corner every Sunday in the lobby of 9 Brunswick Avenue for the collection of books and magazines and for the distribution of wool, conducted a salvage drive in and plans another one for Spring. Committee: Misses Jennie Rosen, Doris Gusack, Shirley Mintz, Vivian Schwartz.

MARRIAGES

Shain-Davis

The marriage of Rose, daughter of Mrs. K. Davis and the late M. Davis, 183 Beverley Street, to Saul, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Mintz, Manning Avenue, will take place on Sunday, February 8th, Rabbi M. Kelman officiating. The ceremony and reception will be at 2 p.m., at 408 Markman Street, and dinner for the immediate family at the Belvin. The bride will be given in marriage by her brother-in-law, Samuel Miginovsky, of Montreal. Her only attendant will be Mrs. I. Platus, her sister, a matron of honor, and Dr. Harold Mintz, of Boston, Mass., will act best man. No cards have been sent out. The couple will spend their honeymoon in Detroit, and will live in Toronto.

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Both Sides Of The Jewish Army Plan

The following letters, one from Rabbi Stephen S. Wise and one from Professor Morris R. Cohen, appeared in the New York Times:

Army Plan Approved

Your editorial on a "Zionist" army is based on a series of assumptions that are at variance with all the facts in the situation. There has been no demand for the formation of a "Zionist" army. The proposal for the formation of a Jewish military force in Palestine has received the support of more than "a number of deeply sincere and well-meaning people." Nor is the wisdom of the Zionist objective any longer a matter of argument; for its validity has been fully recognized by international law and firmly established as a political fact.

You wholly disregard the fact that the suggestion for the formation of a Jewish military force was put forth at the outbreak of the war by responsible Jewish leaders who, more than many statesmen in other lands, were fully aware of the world-wide nature of the Fascist challenge and who knew the contribution Palestine was capable of making to the common cause of democratic victory. This proposal was submitted to the British Government by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the World Zionist Organization and of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, in which are included Zionists and non-Zionists.

The proposal envisaged, not the formation of a separate Jewish army, but the organization of a Jewish military force as an integral part of the British and Allied commands. The proposal was born of the profound conviction that thousands of Jews in Palestine could make their most effective contribution to the defeat of fascism if they were organized under their own flag and fighting in the name of their own people. General approval of Dr. Weizmann's proposal was given by Mr. Churchill's government; and preliminary steps toward formulating a plan for the organization of the Jewish divisions were taken.

No effective action however, followed. The proposal, approved in principle, was stymied in its implementation by a series of improved objections. None of the arguments that have been advanced against the formation of a Jewish military force can stand the test of objective scrutiny. The alleged shortage of equipment does not explain how equipment was made available for troops brought to the Near East from distances when a military force could have been much more conveniently recruited and trained in Palestine with the same equipment. Nor does it explain why the advantages of home-land arrangements that have been made available for practically every other section of the democratic front have been denied to Palestine.

Your editorial expresses the fear that the establishment of a Jewish military force in Palestine would be tantamount to the rejection of a Jewish national home in that country. Such views are wholly invalidated by the facts and cause a quarter of a century too late. The justice of the Zionist claim was recognized some twenty years ago by the representatives of over fifty nations at San Remo. The purpose of the Balfour Declaration was integrated in a policy of this country by a Congressional resolution adopted in 1922 and signed by the President of the United States. That policy has since been reaffirmed by every American President. Nor is the validity of the Zionist position enshrined solely in law or parliamentary declaration. It rests primarily in the hearts and aspirations of hundreds of thousands of men, women and children who have found a home within the borders of Palestine. And these Jews have established in Palestine the sole bastion of world democracy in the Near East. That bastion they wish to defend and protect.

Army Plan Disapproved

Your editorial "A Zionist Army?" seems to me such a much-needed recall to sanity on a difficult problem that more emphasis on it is well worth while.

It seems too obvious for discussion that the desperate need of defending the eastern gateway to the Mediterranean and the oil fields of Iraq and Iran, whether by a separate Jewish army or by one based on the general Near East population, which is predominantly Arab, is something that must be left to the military authorities in touch with the actual situation without interference on the part of laymen in a country thousands of miles away.

Perhaps not so obvious, but certainly no less important, is the warning against the false or near-sighted nationalistic philosophy behind this proposal — namely, that the cruel sufferings of the Jews can be removed by setting up a politically independent Jewish State in Palestine. No one at all acquainted with the horrible plight of the harassed Jews in Hitler-ruled Europe doubts that hundreds of thousands, and perhaps millions, of Jews will have to leave Europe to find living room elsewhere, and that for material as well as moral reasons Palestine offers a haven to them. Elementary political sense and decency, however, must recognize that Palestine can be made available for this purpose only by negotiation with the native Arab population of the country. No people will submit to being made a minority in their own land. Against any such attempt the Arabs will certainly fight, and in such a fight they will have the support not only of 60,000,000 fellow-Arabs but the sympathy of all lovers of democracy and fair play.

There are sixteen million Jews in the world today and only a small fraction of them can possibly be settled in Palestine. The vast majority must, for good or evil, remain in the countries in which they now live. Jewish labor and blood have enriched every one of these countries, and no real friend of the Jews can accept the anti-Semitic contention that the Jews are a foreign national group everywhere except in Palestine.

Real help can come only from winning the war against the racialistic ideology which sets up national interests against the basic individual rights of every human being. Admittedly the liberal philosophy of the eighteenth century at the basis of our Declaration of Independence and Bill of Rights—a philosophy which led to the emancipation of the Jews from the special restrictions of the ghetto—has met with serious reverses; but this does not justify the abandonment of that philosophy. Progress in these matters necessarily takes time, and victory comes not to those who quickly despair but to those who have faith and courage to fight for the right. The complete moral bankruptcy of racial nationalism has been made obvious by Nazi Germany.

MORRIS RAPHAEL COHEN,
Professor Emeritus of Philosophy, City College, New York.

The demand for the formation of a Jewish military force in Palestine does not depend on the validity of the claim for a Jewish Commonwealth. It is strengthened by the precedent of the Jewish Legion organized during the first World War when the Jewish population of Palestine was barely one-tenth of its present size. It is dictated by the exigencies of the objective military situation no less than by the profound allegiance of Jews to the democratic ideals for which the United Nations are now fighting. It has found extensive support among vast numbers of non-Jews who are unconcerned with the ideals of Zionism but who are impelled solely by their concern for the victory of the democratic powers and by their faith in all democratic rights of all nations.

In England the demand for a Jewish military force has been supported by many leading statesmen; and such important organs of public opinion as The London Times and The Manchester Guardian have been severely critical of the position of the British Government on the matter. Similar widespread support has been expressed in this country. The idea has even found enthusiastic approval among that dwindling minority of Jews who still feebly challenge the justice and truth of the Zionist ideal.

If there have been ulterior politics in the situation, they have not come from the proponents of a Jewish military force. The proposal made by Dr. Weizmann has been made subject to political designs on the part of the British Government that are not frankly revealed in their correspondence. Opposition to the creation of Jewish military units must be viewed as nothing else than a promulgation of the already discredited policy of appeasement.

Your editorial at least deserves commendation for its frankness. Such frankness, however, does not come from British governmental authority. The opposition to the organization of a Jewish military force in Palestine is dictated almost exclusively by a desire to appease unfriendly or unsympathetic elements in the Near East. There are the pretended fears of Arab reaction; and the Jews are evidently to be penalized for their loyalty to democracy because of the Arabs' indifference or disloyalty to it.

But whom is the British Government or The New York Times attempting to appease? The Mufti who now broadcasts for the Axis from Berlin? The network of fifth columnists in the Near East who are working overtime in the interests of Rome and Berlin and Tokyo? Or those Arabs who even now give their support to the fascist powers and are not even making any pretense of loyalty to the democratic cause?

The disastrous consequences of appeasement are so eloquently written into the tragic events of the past few years as to require little emphasis. But this much should be said: wherever democracy has attempted appeasement its results have been uniformly disastrous. It is distressingly amazing to see that in connection with the Jews in Palestine responsible statesmen in the democratic countries are permitting this hangover of the appeasement nightmare to operate in the Near East. Their conduct in this connection may deal world democracy another damaging blow it can ill afford to suffer.

The refusal to permit the formation of a Jewish military force in Palestine is more than an attack upon Jewish rights as recognized by the Palestine mandate. It is more than a continuance of the kind of policy that has brought the world to the brink of disaster.

It is an inhuman treatment of a people who have suffered at the hands of the Nazis more terribly than any other people of the world; who now come forward and claim from those who guide the destinies of world democracy the right to fight back against their enemies. It denies to the first victims of fascism the privilege of participating fully in the establishment of world freedom, without which no nation can be secure. It denies to the Jews the right fully to mobilize for the defense of the national soil they have reclaimed with their blood and toil, their tears and sweat. It violates the recognized principle that in warfare a people can make its most effective contribution only if it is allowed to fight under the symbols which represent its deepest aspirations and evoke its most sacrificial response.

He fights best who fights not as a paid Hessian but as a free man with his own peoples and under his own flag. The present policy of the British Government denies to the Jews of Palestine the democratic right to fight that has been accorded to every other group which has fallen before fascism's fury. For this is not a right which is claimed exclusively for Jews. It is a right that can and has been given to the Arabs in Palestine. That they have failed to exercise that right should not be made an excuse for penalizing freedom's most fervent friends. The present policy stands in stark contradiction to the promise of the Atlantic Charter to implement the right to freedom of every nation.

Until the justice of the Jewish claim is given full recognition, world democracy will be derelict in its duty fully to mobilize its forces to face the fascist challenge. But, more important, it will be denying the very principles for which it professes to fight and for the realization of which we are waging this war.

STEPHEN S. WISE.
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he Reconstructionist Viewpoint

The New York Times On The "Zionist" Army

By Rabbi Eugene Kohn, Managing Editor, The Reconstructionist

The New York Times published an editorial entitled, "A Zionist Army?" in which two reasons are given for opposing the establishment of a separate Jewish military unit in Palestine. The first is practical: the British are afraid of Arab revolt. The second is theoretical: the creation of a Jewish force would imply acceptance of the plan to set up a Jewish state, and that plan is objectionable for several reasons, a) not all Jews agree to it, b) people of other faiths would "misunderstand" if Zionism "comes to be regarded as an expression of the full hopes of Jews", and c) the Atlantic charter renders Zionism unnecessary.

Earnest Zionists are certainly irritated by the calm, and almost casual manner in which this editorial is written. They particularly present that, twenty years after the assignment of the Mandate to Great Britain by all the civilized nations of the world, twenty years after the United States Congress unanimously approved this Mandate, an influential newspaper owned by individuals identified as Jews should reopen the entire question.

The whole world is at war today because promises have been broken, treaties have been scrapped and the bonded word has lost its sanctity. If the Nazi nations are culpable of these crimes, should not the democratic nations be deemed equally blameworth if they treat the Balfour Declaration and the Mandate as scraps of paper? Does the New York Times wish to force that guilt upon them?

The Jews of the world have invested millions of dollars and thousands of lives in the project of upbuilding Palestine, trusting the word of the nations that Palestine would become a national home for the Jewish people. Is there not a profound moral obligation on the part of the allied nations now to see to it that this project is carried through to a successful culmination?

If there are "practical" difficulties in the way, let us examine them. The Arabs, it is said, would revolt against the formation of a Jewish state. Shall the allied nations be intimidated by threats? The moral status of the entire world is now at stake; certainly, nothing momentarily gained by appeasement will remain in the end. If the cause is just, revolt against it must be put down. We affirm that the cause is just: the Arab peoples have a homeland, more than one homeland.

Millions of acres lie unoccupied. The Jews are in the minority in Palestine because they were driven forcibly from the land a long time ago. The Balfour Declaration and the Mandate were designed to correct this injustice, and would have soon, if Britain had cooperated to the full, and if war had not intervened.

If the British fear Arab revolt because the Arabs are hostile to the Allied cause, then the Arabs must be regarded as enemies. If, however, they be friends and allies, they must cooperate in any enterprise that helps in destroying Nazism—and a restored Jewry is unquestionably the enemy of all Nazism. Appeasement of the Arabs at a time when the Mufti sits in Berlin plotting with Nazi leaders is hardly "practical"; but even if it were, it would be thoroughly immoral.

The Times apparently believes that not only the Arabs, but also the anti-Zionists, should be appeased. If some Jews object to a Jewish state, other Jews should not be allowed to create one. The assumption is that the sentiment must be unanimous before it can be translated into action. This is absurd. No one will force anti-Zionists to go to Palestine—except, perhaps, a Nazi party in control. They need not fear for their rights as free citizens. Migration is not mandatory, nor will the migration of other Jews jeopardize the status of those who remain. The Jewish state will be for those who wish to emigrate to it. The Jewish state will make Jews really free, for its existence will give them the choice which today every free people enjoys.

The "misunderstanding" which the Times fears is a misunderstanding which it seems to share with no one else. The "people of other faiths" certainly do not include the scores of senators, congressmen, judges and governors who joined the American Committee for Palestine. They surely do not include those who recently hailed the National Conference for Palestine: Professor Albright, Admiral Stirling, Secretary of the Navy Knox, and numerous others. Who are these people of other faiths, the mere dark mention of whom is supposed to intimidate Zionists?

As for the Atlantic Charter, all Jews realize that, without it, Palestine would be helpless and useless. A Jewish state cannot constitute the "full hopes" of Jews, and it has not constituted their full hopes. Wherever Jews live as national or religious minorities, they need the guarantees of equality and justice which the Atlantic Charter offers. But that charter alone is not sufficient either. Millions of Jews in Europe will not be able to remain there. (The way the Times expresses it is a masterpiece of understatement: "There may be some from Axis territories who will prefer to emigrate to it (Palestine) or to other lands rather than face the unhappy memories associated with the past.") Jews who go to Palestine will not be treated justly if they are forced to remain a minority in an Arab land. Free people, we repeat, must have the choice of being members of a majority in their own land, or free and equal citizens in a land where they constitute a majority. Only democracies give that choice to Jews.

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Commentaries

By Dr. Harry J. Stern, Rabbi

What About Russia Now?

Magnificent has been Russia's resistance to the Nazi hordes. Hitler's elite troops are being driven back. Russia has proven for the first time in this war that the Nazi war machine is not invincible. The Soviet Union is welcomed by the democracies as the gallant ally in the war for human liberation by all of us. Yet amidst the present enthusiasm for the Soviet Union because of her people's heroism, there is bewilderment! It was but yesterday that leaders of the democracies, we recall, looked upon the Soviet Union as "a plague", something to avoid, something with which to have no contact. Common folk ask questions. Is not Russia a dictatorship even as the Third Reich? What about the Russian-German pact of but yesterday? What of Russia's aggressive policy as was shown in her invasion of Finland? What about the Red reign of terror, the executions of those who dared to differ with the Bolshevist dictatorship within the Soviet Union?

Answer must be given to all these justifiable questions. Firstly we must make clear that there is a definite distinction to be made between the authoritarianism of Russia and the Third Reich. The Reich was established by a group of gangsters with the avowed purpose of having Germany dominate the world. The Nazis proclaim the Germans to be a Herrenvolk, a superior race. Hence the rest of mankind must be subjugated to the service of the Teutonic breed. However, in the cause of Russia's authoritarianism must ever be recognized the rooting of an ethical motivation. The Soviet Union was founded with the purpose of establishing an economic brotherhood. Its preachment has ever been the equality of all cultures and races.

Confess too, we must, that Russia was driven into a pact with the Nazis because at the Peace of Munich the democracies ignored her and even humiliated her. They did not take seriously her offer to stand by France. Poland refused to negotiate a treaty for common defense with Russia. Her war with Finland there is no doubt was for defense purpose with no aim for imperial expansion. These explanations to the above questions have historical foundation. We now see Russia as the victim of vested interest diplomats — appeasers who hoped for the day when the Nazis will act as a bulwark against the spread of communism in Western Europe.

Our personal interest in the Soviet Union dates back to days long before the present war. In 1928 we first sought out the Soviet Union. We revisited that land as late as 1936. We have come to look upon Russia of the Soviets as a great experiment in human living and striving. We found there being worked out a new economic order, one that was challenging our democratic system. We saw a people resolved to remove illiteracy from its midst. We observed its great advance in industry, in science. We asked that Russia be viewed with the open mind and all bear in mind that in its destruction of Czarism the Bolsheviks in rebuilding Russia were truly at work on a new type of civilization.

Of course, we saw much in the experiment that was evil. Political democracy in the Western sense was non-existent. Religion theoretically free in practice was obstructed. The freedom of the press, the freedom of thought, all these could not be had under the rule of the communist dictatorship. Yet we now must underscore that the latest constitution of the Soviet Union has come to be a great charter of government. If ever carried into practice it will tend to make the Soviet Union one of the foremost lands in civilized society.

Why be surprised at Russia's present victories? Those of us who know history know that never has Russia been successfully invaded. Charles XIIth of Sweden failed in the attempt, so did the great Napoleon. And why should Hitler succeed? Russia's greatest source of strength is her people's passionate love for the soil. No sacrifice is too great for any Russian to make for the land of his fathers. Added to this love of soil is the Soviet Government, energetic and most efficient in industry and military achievements.

Too, the Russians are aware that Hitler has nothing to give them. They have seen Hitler in his dealings with the Czechs, the French and all the European lands he now dominates. It seems to us that United States ex-Ambassador to Russia, Joseph Davies, need not resort to point out that the reason Russia has no fifth column is that all such were liquidated from the start by Stalin. This claim tends to idealize terror executions and does not appeal to us as necessary in our confession of admiration for the people's gallantry in this historic hour.

For the immediate present we need not fear that Russia will yet dictate the peace of the world. There are those who now harbour such fear. Neither do we feel that by our alliance with the Soviet Union we shall be contaminated with communism. We have no place for the Russian system in our way of life. Our histories and backgrounds are certainly different. Then ever must we remember that communism is a result from an evil within democracy and not from Russia. If we choose to permit unemployment to exist: if we do not challenge the problem of poverty, communism will come: revolution will strike us down. We must reorder democracy. Along with political freedom we wish to be free from want. Both are essential in the establishment of a moral democracy.

While Judaism, the soul of Israel, has been obstructed along with all religion, the Jew as a citizen has enjoyed complete equality in the Soviet Union. We do deplore that Hebrew schools and religious schools for children are to this day prohibited. Religion is left solely to the home, so claim the Soviets. Yet Russia is today the only government that

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every friday

"Sometimes when people censure me,
I tell them without rumour
That for what it cost me to be free,
I might have had an number."

Because a study of the emancipation of the Jews will aid in strengthening the conviction of civilized mankind that equality is eternal and indivisible, the American Jewish Committee's Research Institute on Peace and Post-War Problems began its pamphlet series on "Jews And The Post-War World" with a collection of documents pertinent to the equality of Jews as citizens, prepared by the historian, Dr. Raphael Mahler, formerly of Vienna. Last week this column condensed the first period in the history of Jewish emancipation, that of "The Forerunners", and this week is describing the documents of the American and French revolutions which recognized the equality of citizens and brought in a new era, the spirit of which could not be stopped at artificial state boundaries.

The Virginia Act for Establishing Religious Freedom is one of the milestones in the history of human progress. The earliest law in modern history to grant full equality to all citizens regardless of religion, it is a document of superb language which says in part: "All men shall be free to profess, and by argument to maintain, their opinions in matters of religion, and same shall in no wise diminish, enlarge or effect their civil capacities." This act was introduced in 1779 by Thomas Jefferson before the General Assembly of Virginia and was finally passed in 1785. It aroused the enthusiasm of all the enlightened people of Europe and inspired the champions of Jewish emancipation in the French National Assembly. In 1787 the American Constitution said that "no religious Test shall ever be required as a Qualification to any Office or public Trust under the United States." An amendment in 1791 said: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances."

The French Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen, 1789, marked a high point in the bitter struggle between the conservative upholders of the ancient regime and the champions of equality and religious liberty. It said: "All men are born, and remain, free and equal in rights . . . No person shall be molested for his opinions, even such as are religious, provided that the manifestations of those opinions does not disturb the public order established by the law." In 1790, the Spanish and Portuguese Jews living in France were granted full citizenship rights. The radical Paris Commune was the moving force behind the struggle for political rights for Ashkenazic Jews, of Alsace and Lorraine, and sent a special delegation to the National Assembly with a demand for full rights for Jews. The Constitution of 1791 guaranteed, as natural and civil rights, equality and liberty to all citizens. The first document in Europe to grant full equality to Jews was the resolution adopted by the French National Assembly on September 28, 1791, which: "Annuls all adjournments, restrictions, and exceptions, contained in the preceding decrees, affecting individuals of the Jewish persuasion."

The Netherlands decreed equality in Batavia, 1796, saying: "No Jew shall be excluded from exercising any rights or advantages which are attached to Batavian citizen rights and which he might wish to enjoy." Italy decreed in 1797: "Jews who meet all conditions prescribed for the acquisition of Roman citizenship shall be subject solely to the law common to all citizens of the Roman Republic." The Abolition of the Ghetto in Padua, 1797, decreed: "That the Hebrews are at liberty to live in any street they please; That the barbarous and meaningless name of Ghetto, which designates the street which they have been inhabiting hitherto, shall be substituted by that of Via Libera." This document bore the words "Liberty, Equality." Destruction of the Ghetto Walls in Padua was also "In the Name of the French Republic One and Indivisible" and decreed that: "The municipal police committee shall carry out the solemn levelling with the ground of the Gates, Arches and simple precinct Walls of the ex-Ghetto in such a manner that no vestige shall remain of the ancient separation from other neighboring streets. This performance shall take place in all the communities of the department where Ghettoes should exist."

In Poland the Constitutional Law of the Duchy of Warsaw, 1807, decreed that: "All religious worship is free and public. Serfdom is abolished. All citizens are equal before the eyes of the law." Within the year political rights granted to the Jews were withdrawn for a period of ten years in order that the Jews should "eradicate their peculiarities, by which they are distinguished from other populations." Nor was serfdom abolished.

In Germany the Royal Decree Abolishing Taxes Imposed on Jews (in Westphalia) was proclaimed in 1808. Emancipation in Frankfurt, 1811, was bought by the Jews, the only instance of such purchase, with the huge sum of 440,000 guldens in lieu of special Jewish taxes. By it "the Israelite citizens shall be constitutionally entitled to exactly the same treatment by judicial and administrative authorities as the other citizens."

In Prussia, emancipation came in 1811 with an edict granting Jews all civil as well as some political rights, for the first time. It allowed "Jews and their families domiciled at present . . . to be considered as natives . . . under the obligation that they bear strictly fixed family names, and that they shall use the German or another living language not only in keeping their commercial books but also upon drawing their contracts and declaratory acts, and that they should use no other than German or Latin characters for their signatures. . . . They are at liberty to settle in the towns as well as in the open country. They may acquire real estate of any kind same as the Christian inhabitants and they may carry on any permitted trade. . . . Native Jews as such must not be burdened with special taxes . . . are also subject to military conscription . . . may contract marriages among themselves without a special permit for it." This document made a vague promise of the admission of Jews to public services and government offices but this was not fulfilled until the Revolution of 1848.

In Denmark the Decree on Civil Rights, 1814, was unprecedented for its order concerning Israelite youth "that boys as well as girls shall be henceforth examined, that they make a solemn confession of faith and take a vow that they will never willingly act contrary to the principles impressed upon them by the said text book and accepted by them." This requirement on a religious text book was extended in Austria to include bridegrooms and brides. The Austrian influence is discernible in the prohibition of the use in legal documents of Hebrew and Yiddish, as well as Hebrew characters, also in commercial books kept by or for confessors of the Mosaic religion . . . if any credibility is to be attached to them." The language was to be Danish or German.

The French Constitutional Charter of 1814 said that: "Everyone may profess his religion with equal liberty and shall receive the same protection for his worship. The Apostolic Roman-Catholic religion is however the religion of the State."

The Congress of Vienna, 1815, had Jewish emancipation on the agenda but the promise that the Diet of the German Confederation would consider measures of improving the civil status of the Jews in Germany remained a dead letter.

Next week this column will continue with the history of Jewish emancipation as shown in the documents of "The Era Of 1830" selected by Dr. Mahler who believes that the present dark period is only a temporary recession in history, one that faces a rebirth which will usher in the final emancipation of the Jews. f.f.c

FUNDS BELONG FIRST FOR LOCAL NEEDS, SAYS FEDERATION LEADER

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achieve victory and the building of a world order in which democracy and justice shall again prevail."

"Local Jewish organizations are integral parts of the general organization of the American community. Our agencies are an integral element, sharing fully in the plans and programs of the general community for national defense and welfare."

William J. Shroder of Cincinnati, chairman of the council's board of directors, told the group that "morale, military and civilian, will win the war."

"It must be supported on all fronts, abroad and at home," he said. "This is the war job of philanthropy. This is in line with our nation's war policy of making America not only the arsenal but also the granary of the democratic world."

REFUGEES APPLY FOR ASSISTANCE

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the Jewish homeland in Palestine.

The Guine brought to the United States 250 refugees, many of whom had suffered years of confinement in Nazi concentration camps. The refugees arrived from Lisbon and Casablanca, their passage booked by the Joint Distribution Committee. The majority of refugees applying at NRS offices were in dire need and applied for immediate financial assistance. Others registered for work with NRS' Employment Department.

One of the refugees who applied for assistance was a journalist who helped evacuate the British at Dunkirk. The Jewish journalist was in Cannes, France, covering the Film Biennial when war broke out. He was thrown into jail as a German, but was released when he offered to join the French Labor Battalion in Manosque. A few weeks later he was transferred to the British Expeditionary Forces to help build air bases in France.

After aiding the British in their thrilling retreat from Dunkirk, the Jewish journalist escaped in a truck left behind by the Royal Air Force and headed for the South of France. He arrived safely in Cannes and stayed there for many months, but one day he was thrown into jail when he showed a friend a paper which recounted news of General de Gaulle. The judge, he said, was apparently a sympathizer of de Gaulle and fined him only 200 francs (about $5.00.) He subsequently secured his American visa, his exit permit from France, and sailed for America on December 13th. His first thought upon his arrival here was to aid America "in her great fight against totalitarianism."

REFUGEES FILE CLAIMS UPON NIGHTMARE SHIP

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found liable after a trial to be held in United States District Court, Brooklyn. Once it had been found liable, Mr. Arnold would be asked to dispose of or grant the claims according to their individual merit.

The Navemar was allowed to leave New York harbor only after bond of $966,758 had been posted in the court. It was posted by the National Surety Corporation, and the names of Garcia & Diaz, ship agents, of 17 Battery Place, appeared on the bond. Out of this bond, representing cash or its equivalent, the claims, if granted, would be satisfied.

A total of $2,943,353 of the claims represented actions for personal damages, especially injuries. Many were brought in behalf of infants, and resulted from the spread of contagious diseases. Passengers on the ship complained bitterly of the filth in which they had to live and described the ship's food as "terrible." The ship was chartered. It is known, by a refugee committee abroad.

Pledges were broken, according to the claims, that the ship passengers were to travel on would be seaworthy, safe and properly equipped, would serve good food and would proceed on the voyage without delay. Mr. Arnold's report stated that the claims described the Navemar as "unseaworthy, inadequate for the carrying of passengers, filthy, overcrowded, insanitary, and in every way improperly manned, equipped and supplied."

COMMENTARIES

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by legislation has made anti-Semitism a criminal offense. Article 123 of the new constitution prohibits race discrimination and race hatred. Surely in this regard Russia has set an example to civilized peoples everywhere. The post-war world will have to face once for all this terrible anti-social thing of Jew-hatred and outlaw it from society.

From an essay written in 1936, after our revisit to the Soviet Union, we cull the following truly prophetic observation, in the light of the present war. "Our sailing through the Kiel Canal gave us an opportunity to glance at Germany. The boat stopped at Kiel for about three hours. And there was something dramatic in the meeting of the two flags, the Swastika in the Kiel harbour and the Red flag flying above the "Kooperatzia' (the boat). Little boys and girls on the shoreline thumbed their noses at the Red Russian flag! Is that symbolic of the next world conflict? I wonder! Will the 'war of ideas' between Fascism and Communism sweep the earth soon? There are indications aplenty that such will be, in particular, the fate of Europe." (See author's volume, "Judaism In The War Of Ideas," page 106).

The present hour certainly calls for a sympathetic understanding between Russia and her democratic allies. We need to interpret ourselves one to another. Evils we have in our democracies. Evils the Russians have. But let us try to understand each other's weaknesses and not forget that our first and foremost job now is to destroy the scourge of Hitlerism. Removing this greatest evil from the world, we shall then labour to win also peace for all mankind. Now we must be ready to sacrifice each in proportion to his ability, to restore freedom in the world. Let us remove our narrow nationalism and give ourselves in the cause of the higher patriotism of civilization. With Russia, the brave, let us march forward to restore "liberty under God" for humanity. This earthwide battle must be won so that slavery in the Hitler or any other form may be removed from the world.